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PATENT APPLICATION

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In re application of

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For: PRINTING MATERIALS PRODUCTION SUPPORTING APPARATUS, PRINTING MATERIALS PRODUCTION SUPPORTING SYSTEM, AND PRINTING MATERIALS PRODUCTION SUPPORTING PROGRAM

PRELIMINARY AMENDMENT

Commissioner for Patents
Washington, D.C. 20231

Sir:

Prior to examination, please amend the above-identified application as follows:

IN THE SPECIFICATION:

Page 4, 3rd Full paragraph, the specification is changed as follows:

A definition reception section receiving a definition of a job representing one work consisting of a series of steps for producing one printing material, a definition of a work flow representing procedures for executing the job, and input of information on a client executing the job together with a predetermined customer, from a terminal of the predetermined customer among a plurality of terminals connected through a communication line such as Internet;

Page 10, 1st Full paragraph, the specification is changed as follows

a job representing one work consisting of a series of steps for producing one printing material, a definition of a work flow representing procedures for executing the job, and input of

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information on a client executing the job together with a predetermined customer, from a terminal of the predetermined customer among a plurality of terminals connected through a communication line;

Page 32, 4th Full paragraph, the specification is changed as follows:

"Client No." is a box to designate a client taking its shares of this job by designating the number of company designated as a client (which number is registered in the party table 148 shown in FIG. 5).

Page 33, 3rd Full paragraph, the specification is changed as follows:

With respect to the client thus selected, a name, a telephone number, a FAX number, an email address, an address and the like for ordinary contact are inputted into "Contact" box, information as to the contact of a window relating to the transfer of money is inputted into "Billing" box and the destination of the goods (or printing material) is inputted into "Shipping" box. Unnecessary boxes may be left blank.

REMARKS

Entry and consideration of this Amendment is respectfully requested.

Respectfully submitted,

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APPENDIX

VERSION WITH MARKINGS TO SHOW CHANGES MADE

IN THE SPECIFICATION:

Page 4, 3rd Full paragraph, the specification is changed as follows:

A definition reception section receiving a definition of a job representing one work consisting of a series of steps for producing one printing material, a definition of a work flow representing procedures for executing the job, and a job input of information on a client executing the job together with a predetermined customer, from a terminal of the predetermined customer among a plurality of terminals connected through a communication line such as Internet;

Page 10, 1st Full paragraph, the specification is changed as follows

a job representing one work consisting of a series of steps for producing one printing material, a definition of a work flow representing procedures for executing the job, and input of information on a client executing ~~the customer~~ the job together with a predetermined customer, from a terminal of the predetermined customer among a plurality of terminals connected through a communication line;

Page 32, 4th Full paragraph, the specification is changed as follows:

"Client No." is a box to designate a client taking its shares of this job by designating the number of company designated as a client (which number is registered in the party table 147148 shown in FIG. 5).

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